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have already completed their residency training.

An interesting area for further study concerns some of the origins of ambivalent feelings around abortions. Our general impression from this study was that a distinction is required between negative feelings about the taking of human life, and negative feelings about the sexual activities of the women receiving abortions. The former involves traditional values concerning human life and definitions of when life becomes human and when this human, or potentially human, life can be legitimately taken. The latter involves the attitudes of the medical professional concerning both his own sexuality and the sexuality of the women receiving abortions. It is important that both these attitudes be distinguished so that their influence on medical care can be constructively directed.

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